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Doctor Convicted of Operating Pill Mill

A Walnut physician has been convicted of prescribing potent narcotics without conducting a proper examination and without a legitimate medical need, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

A jury on Thursday found Dr. John Dimowo, 56, guilty of seven felony counts of unlawful prescription of a controlled substance. He was remanded following the verdict.

Deputy District Attorneys Ryan Dibble and John Niedermann with the Major Narcotics Division prosecuted the case.

Undercover agents with the Medical Board of California went to Dimowo's pain management clinic in Wilmington between March 2012 and March 2013 and received prescriptions for Adderall, hydrocodone and alprazolam without receiving any appropriate exams. The agents paid between \$250 to \$400 per visit.

Dimowo is scheduled to be sentenced on May 29 before Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Craig Veals. He faces up to seven years in local custody.

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About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.